

# LILY WHITES TO BOOM FAIRBANKS

Candidacy of Vice-President to be Launched To-night at Tar Heel Club Dinner.

## COMING FIGHT IN VIRGINIA

Much Speculation as to How Much of a "Speaking Campaign" It Will be.

(From Our Regular Correspondent.)  
WASHINGTON, D. C., March 21.—The efforts which are now being made by those at the head of the public school system of Virginia to consolidate small country schools, in order to have better teachers, receiving better pay, and to keep the schools open more months in the year, have attracted attention, and the expressions on the subject have been almost uniformly favorable. A Virginian from Piedmont, who is in Washington to-day, does not believe that the proposed changes would be wholly wise.

"I should like to see the standard of the public schools of Virginia raised," he said. "I think the teachers should be better qualified for their work, and that they should receive better pay. I should like to see every school open nine months of the year."

"But I am not of the opinion that it is wise to close so many of the small schools in order to have one central school, with a higher standard than is in our schools at present. In too many cases this would mean no school at all. The closing of small schools, though they are poor ones, would frequently cause farmers' children to be compelled to walk so far to school that they could attend only in the best weather."

Cannot Afford It.

"Has it never occurred to you," he continued, "that the average man living in the country districts of Virginia cannot afford to send all his children to school more than five months in the year? Some parents cannot let their children attend that long. The boys, and frequently the girls, are needed at home. I was raised in the country, and I know that often, when a boy growing up, I would not be able to start to school before Christmas, and would have to stop in March, in order to go to work on the farm. The very small children can attend the school through, but I am not sure that a child five or six years of age is improved by being kept at books nine months instead of five. What the one with the long vacation loses in book learning it makes up in the gain in health. I am not at all certain that the child who goes to school nine months really learns more than the child who attends but five. I mean this in the case of very young children."

"I am an earnest advocate of improvement in our school system," he concluded, "but I believe the consolidation of public schools is a thing which may very easily be overdone. We ought to go slow in endeavoring to effect improvements along this line, lest we deprive many children of schools entirely."

Virginia Campaign.

Virginians in Washington are speculating as to how much of a "speaking campaign" will be the result of the summer for nominations for the governorship and the senatorship. Mr. Swanson opened the campaign in his speech at Harrisonburg yesterday, and it is assumed that Judge Mann and Captain Willard will go on the stump with him. It has been known for some time that the Governor would take the stump. Senator Martin may do so, though he has not indicated publicly his intentions in the matter. A Virginian, who would be one of the first to go on the stump if other than candidates could take part in the public discussions, said yesterday that he would not take any such part in the canvass for nominations, as he did not think it would be becoming in Democrats to expose in such manner the candidacy of either Senator Martin or Governor Montague, or Captain Willard, Judge Mann or Representative Swanson.

"The friends of candidates should not go on the stump in behalf of their favorites," he said. "The candidates may decide for themselves to take this method of appealing to the voters; I have nothing to do with that, though I have nothing to say against it, if my advice were asked. How could I or any other Democrat afford to take the stump and appeal for votes for any of the Democrats who are running for office? Every reason advanced against supporting the man whose nomination I was opposing would be used against him by the Republicans in case he were nominated. Certain it is that if any man should expose in the stump the candidacy of any of the candidates, he would be effectually disqualified to take the stump in joint debate with a Republican after the nomination was made, provided his man did not win in the primary."

Candidacy of Fairbanks.

Representative Slom and Mr. Bacon Slomp, chairman of the Virginia Republican State Committee, will go to Greensboro to-morrow to attend the banquet of the Tar Heel Club of that city to-morrow night. The Tar Heel Club is the great Lily White Republican organization of the North State, and is the most influential body of Republicans in North Carolina. Vice-President Fairbanks will be the guest of honor, and arrangements have been made to flush his candidacy for the presidency at the dinner. It is somewhat remarkable that the first announcement of a Republican candidacy for the presidency should be made at a dinner of Lily White Republicans in a Southern State. It would seem to be

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WASHINGTON, D. C., Oct. 15, 1900.

Gentlemen—One year ago my little two-year-old daughter was seriously ill with malarial fever. The anxiety was very great, as well as a heavy bill for a doctor and medicine. This fall she was again attacked. I sent for a bottle of "Elixir Babek," and I must say it has passed my most sanguine expectations. She has entirely gained her normal condition, and has had no signs of a return of the malarial disease. One-half bottle only was used.

Respectfully,  
A. D. HAYWORTH,  
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WASHINGTON, D. C., May 19, 1900.

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THOMAS J. JONES, Ph.D. D. S.

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## DEMOCRATS DIVIDED ON PROPOSED NEW TAX

Carmack and Teller Have Opposing Views of Plan to Lay Duty Upon Coffee.

(From Our Regular Correspondent.)  
WASHINGTON, D. C., March 21.—Democrats are not united in opposition to the proposition to lay a duty on coffee imports in order to avoid a threatened deficit. Senator Carmack, of Tennessee, one of the most level-headed Democrats in the Senate, said to-day he was absolutely opposed to the proposition.

"I see no reason why the deficit should be met by the taxation of this particular article," he said. "If such a bill is proposed, I shall feel compelled to vote against it. By reason of the expenditures of this Congress there is necessarily a deficit. Two ways are open by which to meet it; reduce expenses, especially in connection with the prohibition, or remove some of the prohibitory duties, and create conditions that will enlarge our import trade, and thus increase customs duties. I am not in favor of taxing coffee."

Senator Teller, of Colorado, is one of the Democratic senators who have given the idea of his approval. "There are many reasons why it should be wise to levy a tariff duty on coffee," he said to-day. "If the people of the Philippines and Porto Rico are induced to devote themselves to the culture of coffee, the islands would develop a crop which would pay them well, and which would not interfere with any of our industries. The admission of sugar free of duty would work to the injury of interests in this country which we want to encourage and not hurt. The beet sugar industry of the United States is growing rapidly, but we cannot hope to compete with the cheap labor of the Philippines. We raised 65,000 tons of beet sugar and some of our farmers cleaned up as much as \$10 an acre."

"Coffee we do not and cannot raise in any of the States," he continued. "The soil and climate of the Philippines are ideal for the culture of coffee, and if the American market be assured to them through the advantage of free entry as against a small duty on coffee imported from other countries every incentive will be given to the development of a great industry in our insular possessions."

Mr. Teller was a Republican protectionist senator for years, and became a Democrat when the Republican Convention at St. Louis in 1896 nominated William McKinley for the presidency on a platform which declared against the free coinage of silver.

FIGHT THE SALOONS.

Big Temperance Rally Inaugurating Local Option Campaign.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)  
BRISTOL, TENN., March 21.—Nearly fifteen hundred people attended a temperance rally in State Street Methodist Church here to-night. The meeting was held under the auspices of the various temperance organizations of the two Bristol. Short speeches were made by business and professional men.

This meeting inaugurates an effort to rid Bristol of saloons.

Bank to Reopen.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)  
PAYETTEVILLE, N. C., March 21.—The closed Bank of Payetteville reopened for business April 10th. H. W. Lilly is president; J. O. Billington, vice-president, and C. M. Huggins, cashier. The other officers have not yet been chosen.

BISHOP WILSON SICK.

Has Telegraphed Bishop Chandler to Hold Conference for Him.

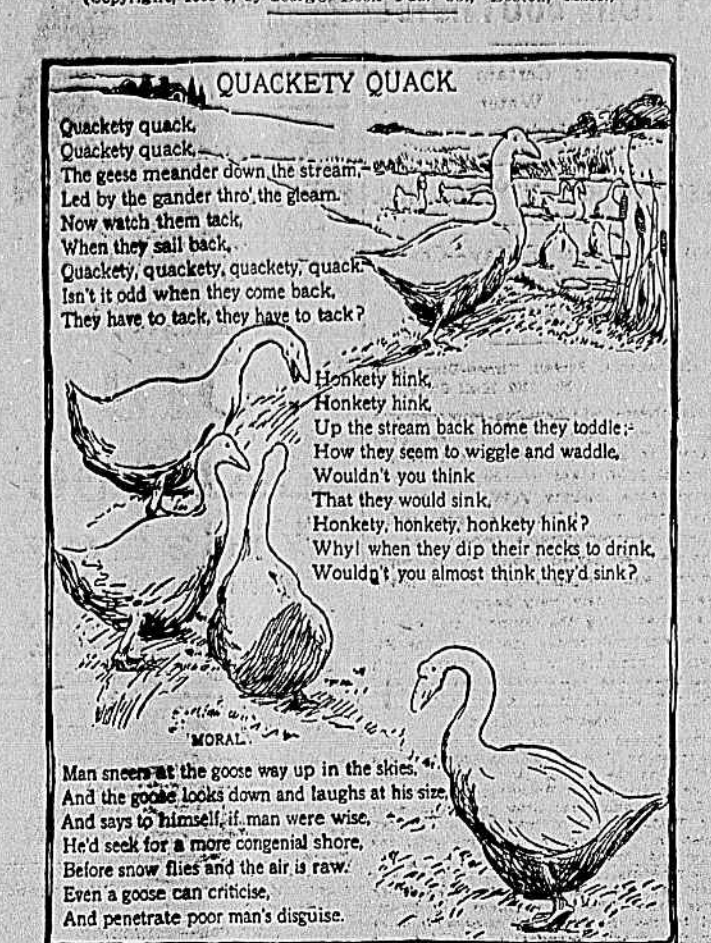
(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)  
WINCHESTER, VA., March 21.—The preliminary of the centennial session of the Baltimore Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, took place this afternoon. Coming to the attack of the archbishop, the Bishop of Georgia, to act in his stead. It is believed that Bishop Chandler is now on the way here.

The session may continue until next Tuesday. There will be some three hundred ministers and laymen in attendance besides the connectional visitors and the usual body of guests, which will bring the number up to about twice the first figure.

Fourteen years ago, before the church divided, a conference of the Methodists was held here, and this occasion is an anniversary of the former event. To-night the opening sermon was preached by the Rev. Dr. S. K. Cox, of Harrisonburg.

## LUMINOUS LAUGHS AT LUNCHEON

By LYMAN F. GEORGE.  
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Man sneers at the goose way up in the skies.  
And the goose looks down and laughs at his size.  
And says to himself, if man were wise,  
He'd seek for a more congenial shore.  
Before snow flies and the air is raw.  
Even a goose can criticize,  
And penetrate poor man's disguise.

FARMER BADLY HURT.

Pamunkey River Lands Bought by Ohio Man.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)  
LANOVER, C. H., VA., March 21.—E. T. Bates, of "Full View," who was badly hurt last Thursday by the turning over of his cart, is suffering greatly. It is thought one of his legs is injured by the breaking of leaders, and will probably have to be put in a plaster cast.

H. C. Alexander, owner of the "Clifton" plantation, shipped to New York ten

luncheon, weighing forty-five pounds each, at \$5 a piece, delivered in Richmond, and ten more at the same price, weighing fifty pounds each, on the 23d instant.

Mr. John C. Dillard has sold his "Horse-shoe" farm on the Pamunkey River of 750 acres, and his "Engliside" home, of 750 acres, to Abraham K. Dillard, of Tidewater, O., for the sum of \$15,000.

An Accomplished Princess.

Of Princess Charles of Denmark it is said that she can bind a book, steer a boat, pull an oar, knit a stocking, take a photograph, play chess and speak five languages.

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"My Dear Sirs:

"There is no reason for me to be writing this letter, only I do want to express my gratitude for the beautiful workmanship on my suit and the promptness in which you got it out.

"I believe I should be a good judge of work, being with tailors and gown makers all the time, and will say my suit is without fault, and I just must have you make me another.

"With it could be possible to have it done without fittings, for I fear I will need another before I get to Richmond again."

This Gown was made for a lady who is now out of town. Persons who so desire can see the original copy of the above letter in our office.

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ANNUAL STATEMENT FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1904, OF THE CONDITION OF THE VIRGINIA FARMERS' AND MERCHANTS' ASSOCIATION, ORGANIZED UNDER THE LAWS OF THE STATE OF VIRGINIA, MADE TO THE AUDITOR OF PUBLIC ACCOUNTS OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA, PURSUANT TO THE LAWS OF VIRGINIA.

President—GEORGE GATOR.  
Vice-President—CHARLES A. WEBB.  
Secretary—J. H. HARRIS.  
Treasurer—J. H. HARRIS.  
Incorporated—APRIL 6, 1894.  
Commenced business—JANUARY 18, 1905.  
Principal Office—COURT AND RAILROAD STREETS, BALTIMORE, MD.

Amount of capital paid up in cash.....\$500,000 00  
Amount of net assets, December 31 of previous year.....\$2,020,728 29  
Decrease of capital during 1904, \$500,000; Capital stock reduced and surplus increased.

INCOME.

Gross premiums unpaid December 31, last year.....\$100,188 90  
Gross premiums on risks written and renewed during the year.....\$1,607 30  
Total.....\$101,796 20  
Deduct gross premiums in course of collection at this date.....\$1,017 87  
Entire premiums collected during the year.....\$100,778 33  
Deduct reinsurance, assessment rebate and returned premiums.....\$5,185 01  
Net cash actually received for premiums (carried out).....\$95,593 32

Interest on loans on mortgages.....\$1,116 00  
Interest on collateral loans.....\$617 32  
Interest and dividends on stocks and bonds.....\$3,899 82  
Interest upon other debts due the company.....\$5,511 41  
Total.....\$11,144 55

Profit on interest actually sold during the year, over cost, stocks and bonds.....\$1,281 20  
Income from all other sources, viz: Increase for amount due for reinsurance (over December 31, 1903).....172 50  
Total income actually received during the year in cash.....\$107,077 07  
Aggregate last balance and income.....\$2,781,856 76

DISBURSEMENTS.

Gross amount paid for matured claims other than weekly indemnity.....\$318,245 70  
Deduct reinsurance and salvage, including recoveries on account of losses previously paid.....6,371 62  
Net paid policyholders.....\$311,874 08

Commission to agents.....\$140,389 08  
Salaries, traveling and all expenses of agents and agencies not on commission.....40,756 87  
Taxes.....\$3,823 78  
Selling expenses.....\$5,908 41  
Total.....\$192,957 14

State of Maryland, city of Baltimore: ss, 1905, before WILLARD LEONARD, Notary Public. Subscribed and sworn to January 19, 1905.

GEORGE GATOR, President.  
W. M. C. DIVAL, Secretary.

AGENTS, THOMSON PULLIAM & CO., Agents, No. 4 North Tenth Street.

Agents' licenses, municipal licenses.....\$5,946 88  
Rent.....\$1,117 78  
Legal expenses, \$18,740.85; real estate expenses, \$2,212.85.....\$20,953 70  
Stationery, postage and express, \$11,804.87; advertising, \$17,474.81.....\$29,279 68  
Advertising, \$1,240.53; and general printing and stationery, \$17,474.81.....\$18,715 34  
Losses on ledger accounts actually sold under contract, stocks and bonds.....\$17,474 81  
All other items, viz: Freight and express, \$11,804.87; advertising, \$17,474.81.....\$29,279 68  
Development, \$11,063.84; General, \$3,015.94; Interest, \$3,021.40; Change, \$70.43; Traveling, \$3,109.40; Telegraph and telephone, \$5,507.14; Liquidation, \$1,100.00; Reduction in claims, \$1,100.00; Real and special deposits, \$1,606,428.80; Insurance, \$47.77.....\$17,406 87  
Total miscellaneous expenses.....\$17,406 87

Total disbursements.....\$1,086,068 76  
Balance.....\$1,695,788 00

ASSETS.

Book value of real estate.....\$20,110 27  
Loans on mortgage on real estate.....\$38,815 81  
Loans secured by pledge of bonds, stocks or other marketable collateral.....\$16,811 86  
Market value of bonds and stocks owned absolutely.....\$1,817,003 18  
Cash in company's office.....\$1,047 42  
Cash deposited in banks.....\$217,497 80  
Accounts receivable, secured.....\$22,470 21  
All other items, viz: Interest due and accrued.....\$1,000 00  
Gross premiums in course of collection.....\$1,06,900 87

Total.....\$1,787,781 26

LIABILITIES.

Known or reported.....\$123,863 46  
In process of adjustment.....\$118,622 44  
Notified.....\$118,622 44  
Surety.....\$123,863 46

Aggregate of unpaid claims and expenses.....\$123,863 46  
Gross premiums upon all unexpired risks, running one year or less from date of policy.....\$118,622 44  
Surety.....\$118,622 44

Total unearned premiums, as computed above.....\$223,095 87  
Due and accrued for salaries, rent, advertising, agency and other expenses.....\$1,188 03  
Reinsurance.....\$118,622 44  
Return premiums—Collateral deposits, \$118,622.44; Special time deposit (due January 1, 1907), \$200,000.....\$118,622 44

Total amount of all liabilities, except capital.....\$447,224 15  
Capital actually paid up in cash.....\$500,000 00  
Surplus beyond capital and other liabilities.....\$10,557 11

SCHEDULE OF REAL ESTATE OWNED, THE VALUE THEREOF, THE NATURE AND AMOUNT OF ALL LIENS AND INCUMBRANCES THEREON, IN CLIPPING INCREASED AND DECREASED.

No. Description of Property. Amount. Book value. Market value.

1. House and lot, 200 Anderson Place, Buffalo, N. Y. \$4,000 00 \$4,000 00 \$4,000 00

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